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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act authorizing the department of justice to administer
- 2 federal grants for housing of victims of human trafficking.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 13.31, Code 2015, is amended by adding
- 2 the following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. Administer federal grants received for
- 4 programs that provide housing to victims of trafficking.
- 5 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 8 This bill relates to grants for housing for victims of human
- 9 trafficking.
- 10 Under the federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act of
- 11 2000, Pub. L. No. 106-386, section 107(b)(2)(A), 22 U.S.C.
- 12 §7105(b)(2)(A), subject to the availability of appropriations,
- 13 the United States attorney general may make grants to states
- 14 and other entities to develop, expand, or strengthen victim
- 15 service programs for victims of trafficking. Proposed federal
- 16 legislation would make programs that provide housing to victims
- 17 of trafficking eligible for the grants authorized by the
- 18 federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000.
- 19 The bill requires the department of justice to administer
- 20 any federal grants awarded to the state of Iowa to provide
- 21 housing for victims of human trafficking.